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NIGHT LEAD ADENAUER

BY JOHN SCALI

WASHINGTON, MARCH 16 (AP)—WEST GERMAN CHANCELLOR KONRAD ADENAUER TODAY CALLED ON THE WESTERN POWERS TO ARRANGE A QUICK PLEBISCITE TO DEMONSTRATE THAT WEST BERLINERS "ABSOLUTELY REJECT" RUSSIA'S DEMAND THAT ALLIED TROOPS PULL OUT.

ADENAUER COUPLED HIS SURPRISE PROPOSAL WITH A BLISTERING ATTACK ON SOVIET PREMIER NIKITA S. KHRUSHCHEV. HE SAID KHRUSHCHEV SEEKS TO DENY WEST BERLINERS THE FREEDOMS HE PROFFESSES TO WANT FOR ASIANS AND AFRICANS.

FURTHERMORE, ADENAUER ACCUSED THE RUSSIANS OF CRUELLY PERSECUTING CHURCHMEN, FARMERS AND OTHERS IN COMMUNIST RULED EAST GERMANY.

TOP ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS PROMPTLY EXPRESSED KEEN INTEREST IN ADENAUER'S PLEBISCITE IDEA. THEY SAID THEY WOULD CONSULT WITH THE BRITISH AND FRENCH GOVERNMENTS.

WITH SWIFT TEAMWORK, THEY SAID, IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE TO ARRANGE SUCH A VOTE BEFORE THE MAY 16 EAST-WEST SUMMIT CONFERENCE, AS ADENAUER PROPOSED.

THE STATE DEPARTMENT LATER ISSUED A FORMAL STATEMENT DESCRIBING ADENAUER'S PLEBISCITE IDEA AS VERY INTERESTING AND ADDING: "THERE IS, OF COURSE, NO DOUBT IN OUR MINDS AS TO WHAT THE RESULTS OF SUCH A PLEBISCITE WOULD BE."

LINCOLN WHITE, STATE DEPARTMENT PRESS OFFICER, RECALLED THAT WEST BERLIN VOTERS IN LATE 1958, SHORTLY AFTER KHRUSHCHEV ADVANCED THE IDEA OF MAKING BERLIN WHAT HE CALLED A FREE CITY, GAVE THE COMMUNIST PARTY LESS THAN 2 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL VOTE.

WHITE'S STATEMENT ADDED THAT "IT IS REGRETTABLE THAT THE PEOPLE OF EAST BERLIN HAVE NEVER HAD SUCH AN OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS."

THE 84-YEAR-OLD GERMAN LEADER SPOKE OUT AT A NATIONAL PRESS CLUB LUNCHEON IN HIS HONOR.

SOME 600 GUESTS FREQUENTLY APPLAUDED HIS REMARKS AS ADENAUER, SPEAKING IN A LOUD, FIRM VOICE, MADE IT CLEAR HE HAS NOT CHANGED HIS NO-CONCESSIONS APPROACH IN DEALING WITH RUSSIA.

IN ANSWERING QUESTIONS, ADENAUER SAID HE HAD NOT PROPOSED HIS PLEBISCITE PLAN TO PRESIDENT EISENHOWER IN THEIR TALKS YESTERDAY BECAUSE HE THOUGHT OF IT ONLY THIS MORNING.

"I RECOMMEND TO THE WESTERN POWERS, WHO ADVOCATE THE RIGHT OF SELF-DETERMINATION, THAT A PLEBISCITE BE HELD IN WEST BERLIN EVEN BEFORE THE SUMMIT CONFERENCE," THE GERMAN CHANCELLOR SAID.

"THE QUESTION TO BE VOTED ON MUST BE PHRASED QUITE SIMPLY, PERHAPS SOMEWHAT LIKE THIS: DO YOU WANT OR YOU NOT WANT THE PRESENT LEGAL STATUS OF BERLIN TO CONTINUE UNTIL REUNIFICATION?"

ADENAUER PREDICTED AN OVERWHELMING MAJORITY OF WEST BERLINERS WOULD VOTE AGAINST ANY YIELDING TO SOVIET DEMANDS.

HE CAUTIONED THAT IF THE WEST GAVE IN TO RUSSIA'S BERLIN DEMANDS, FREE WORLD PRESTIGE WOULD TUMBLE WHILE SOVIET PRESTIGE WOULD SHOOT UP.

EISENHOWER'S WORDS TO HIM, IN PRIVATE YESTERDAY AND AT A NEWS CONFERENCE TODAY, "FILLED ALL OF US WITH GREAT JOY AND SATISFACTION," ADENAUER TOLD HIS LISTENERS.

A FEW HOURS BEFORE ADENAUER SPOKE, EISENHOWER SAID HE WAS READY TO DISCUSS BERLIN'S FUTURE AT ANY TIME--BUT ONLY WITH THE UNDERSTANDING IT WOULD NOT CHANGE THE ALLIES' LEGAL RIGHTS IN THE DIVIDED CITY.

REPLYING TO KHRUSHCHEV'S FREQUENT BITTER ATTACKS AGAINST HIM, ADENAUER DERIDED THE SOVIET LEADER'S IDEAS OF HOW TO EASE INTERNATIONAL TENSIONS.

KHRUSHCHEV'S IDEA, THE GERMAN LEADER SAID, SEEMS TO BE TO TALK PEACE WHILE FIRING MISSILES INTO THE PACIFIC AND LOUDLY DEMANDING THE UNITED STATES RETURN TO LATIN AMERICA THE LOOT IT ALLEGEDLY PLUNDERED.

RECENTLY, KHRUSHCHEV HAS BEEN TALKING ABOUT THE RIGHT OF ALL PEOPLES TO DECIDE THEIR OWN FUTURE, ADENAUER SAID. THEN HE RECALLED THAT ONLY 11 DAYS AGO KHRUSHCHEV SUPPORTED THE ALLEGED RIGHT OF PUSHTU TRIBESMEN IN PAKISTAN TO DECIDE WHETHER THEY WANT TO BECOME PART OF NEIGHBORING AFGHANISTAN.

"WHAT IS EQUITABLE FOR THE PEOPLE IN ASIA AND AFRICA IS EQUITABLE FOR A PEOPLE LIVING IN THE HEART OF EUROPE," ADENAUER SAID. "IT IS ALSO APPLICABLE FULLY TO THE WEST BERLINERS."

IN REPLY TO QUESTIONS AFTER HIS SPEECH, ADENAUER MADE IT CLEAR HE FAVORS STERN ACTION IF THE SOVIETS TURN OVER CONTROL OF BERLIN ACCESS ROUTES TO THEIR EAST GERMAN PUPPETS.

"IF THEY PUT REAL OBSTACLES IN THE WAY, THEN I BELIEVE THE WESTERN ALLIES WILL BE STRONG ENOUGH TO DO AWAY WITH AND REMOVE THE OBSTACLES," HE SAID.

ADENAUER SAID HE DID NOT BELIEVE ANY WAR WOULD RESULT FROM SUCH STRONG ALLIED ACTION.

ADENAUER FORESAW THE PROSPECT OF A SECOND AND THIRD SUMMIT CONFERENCE AS NEEDED TO CRACK THE DISARMAMENT DEADLOCK.

HE URGED THE UNITED STATES TO TAKE THE LEAD IN PRESSING FOR CONTROLLED DISARMAMENT TO RELIEVE WHAT HE CALLED THE UNENDURABLE PRESSURE ON MANKIND.

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SECOND LEAD ADENAUER

WASHINGTON, MARCH 16 (AP)—WEST GERMAN CHANCELLOR KONRAD ADENAUER TODAY PROPOSED A PLEBISCITE IN WEST BERLIN ON THE QUESTION WHETHER WEST BERLINERS WANT TO CHANGE THEIR STATUS.

UNDER THE WEST GERMAN LEADER'S PLAN THE VOTING, TO BE CONDUCTED BY THE WESTERN POWERS, WOULD BE HELD AHEAD OF THE EAST-WEST SUMMIT MEETING IN PARIS IN MAY, TO ADVISE THE FREE WORLD'S NEGOTIATORS ON THE PEOPLE'S STAND.

ADENAUER PREDICTED "AN OVERWHELMING MAJORITY" WOULD VOTE IN FAVOR OF CONTINUING IN THEIR PRESENT STATUS UNDER THE PROTECTION OF THE UNITED STATES, BRITAIN AND FRANCE.

SUCH A VOTE, HE TOLD A NATIONAL PRESS CLUB AUDIENCE, WOULD LET WESTERN LEADERS GO TO THE MAY 16 SUMMIT CONFERENCE AT PARIS AND SAY TO SOVIET PREMIER NIKITA S. KHRUSHCHEV THAT THE PEOPLE OF WEST BERLIN "ABSOLUTELY REJECT" KHRUSHCHEV'S DEMAND FOR A CHANGE IN THE STATUS OF THE CITY.

ADENAUER SAID STATEMENTS MADE ABOUT THE BERLIN PROBLEM IN THE SUMMIT CONFERENCE BY PRESIDENT EISENHOWER IN HIS NEWS CONFERENCE TODAY "FILLED ALL OF US WITH GREAT JOY AND SATISFACTION BECAUSE WHAT THE PRESIDENT SAID TODAY IS EXACTLY OUR OPINION."

AT THE NEWS CONFERENCE EISENHOWER SAID HE HAS TOLD KHRUSHCHEV THAT THE UNITED STATES WILL NOT ABANDON ITS RIGHTS IN WEST BERLIN.

WARNING AGAINST YIELDING ON BERLIN, ADENAUER DECLARED:

"IF THE THREE WESTERN POWERS WOULD GIVE IN TO THE DEMAND OF KHRUSHCHEV...THIS WOULD MEAN A TERRIBLE DECREASE IN THE PRESTIGE OF THE FREE POWERS ALL OVER THE WORLD AND IT WOULD MEAN AN IMMENSE INCREASE IN THE PRESTIGE OF KHRUSHCHEV."

THE SOVIET PROPOSAL IS TO CONVERT WEST BERLIN INTO WHAT KHRUSHCHEV CALLS A "FREE CITY," SHORN OF ITS OCCUPIED AREA STATUS.

LEADING INTO HIS DISCUSSION OF THE NEGOTIATIONS WITH RUSSIA ON GERMAN PROBLEMS INCLUDING BERLIN, ADENAUER NOTED THAT IN A JOINT STATEMENT YESTERDAY HE AND EISENHOWER HAD REAFFIRMED THE PRINCIPLE OF SELF-DETERMINATION FOR THE BERLINERS.

THAT PRINCIPLE APPLIES TO ALL PEOPLES IN ASIA AND AFRICA, HE SAID, "BUT SO FAR AS THE RUSSIANS ARE CONCERNED THEY DO NOT WANT TO APPLY IT TO BERLIN--AND THAT IS UNACCEPTABLE."

ADENAUER DWELT AT LENGTH ON HIS IDEA THAT THE REALLY MAJOR AND HOPEFUL ISSUE FOR SUMMIT CONFERENCE DISCUSSION IS CONTROLLED DISARMAMENT OF BOTH CONVENTIONAL AND NUCLEAR WEAPONS. PROGRESS IN WORK ON THE DISARMAMENT PROBLEM "WOULD FACILITATE THE SOLUTION OF ANY OTHER PROBLEM," HE SAID.

HE SAID DISARMAMENT IS A POLITICAL PROBLEM AND IT IS THEREFORE ESSENTIAL FOR THE TOP LEADERS TO WORK ON POLITICAL ASPECTS IN ORDER THAT THE TECHNICAL DISARMAMENT MEETING NOW GOING ON IN GENEVA MAY GET SOMEWHERE.

THE PRESIDENT DEVELOPED HIS VIEWS ON SUMMIT NEGOTIATIONS WITH KHRUSHCHEV OVER BERLIN IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION WHETHER AS A RESULT OF HIS AGREEMENT WITH KHRUSHCHEV LAST SEPTEMBER HE FELT OBLIGATED NOW TO MAKE A BERLIN SETTLEMENT.

HE SAID HE DID NOT FEEL OBLIGATED ALTHOUGH, WITHIN THE LIMITS OF U.S. POLICY, HE IS FULLY PREPARED TO NEGOTIATE ON BERLIN AND OTHER GERMAN QUESTIONS.

PRESUMABLY THE PRESIDENT'S NEWS CONFERENCE COMMENTS WERE ALONG THE SAME LINES HE FOLLOWED IN TALKS WITH WEST GERMAN CHANCELLOR KONRAD ADENAUER YESTERDAY.

HOWEVER, WHEN HE WAS ASKED SPECIFICALLY ABOUT HIS TALK WITH ADENAUER HE SAID THEIR CONVERSATION WAS SUMMED UP ACCURATELY IN A JOINT STATEMENT ISSUED AFTER THEIR CONFERENCE. THAT STATEMENT PLEDGED CONTINUED WORK FOR GERMAN UNITY AND FREEDOM AND SELF-DETERMINATION FOR THE PEOPLE OF WEST BERLIN.

ON OTHER FOREIGN POLICY ISSUES EISENHOWER MADE THESE MAIN POINTS:
1. HE INTENDS TO KEEP SECRET THE LETTER HE RECEIVED FROM SOVIET PREMIER KHRUSHCHEV TEN DAYS AGO. HE DENIED THAT KHRUSHCHEV HAD MADE A PROMISE NOT TO STIR UP TROUBLE PRIOR TO U.S. ELECTIONS. HE ALSO DENIED THAT THERE WAS AGREEMENT WITH KHRUSHCHEV THAT BOTH SHOULD AVOID ROCKING THE BOAT BEFORE THE SUMMIT MEETING MAY 16.

2. THE THREE-STAGE WESTERN DISARMAMENT PLAN PROPOSED TO THE SOVIETS IN TALKS IN GENEVA IS MORE PRACTICAL THAN KHRUSHCHEV'S FOUR-YEAR DISARMAMENT PROPOSAL. UNTIL A MORE ADVANCED STAGE OF ARMS CONTROL NEGOTIATIONS IS REACHED THERE IS NO POINT IN TRYING TO BRING IN RED CHINA.

3. EISENHOWER WANTS AUTHORITY UNDER THE SUGAR QUOTA LAW TO ASSURE THE UNITED STATES OF AN ADEQUATE SUPPLY EVEN IF CUBA PROVED UNABLE TO FILL ITS QUOTA. BUT, HE SAID, HE DOES NOT WANT TO USE U.S. SUGAR PURCHASING FOR ECONOMIC REPRISALS AGAINST CUBA.

IN QUESTIONING ABOUT GERMAN PROBLEMS, EISENHOWER WAS REMINDED THAT ADENAUER HAD COME TO WASHINGTON AMID REPORTS THAT HE WAS WORRIED ABOUT HOW FIRM THE PRESIDENT INTENDED TO BE IN STANDING UP FOR WEST BERLIN RIGHTS DURING THE MAY SUMMIT NEGOTIATIONS.

EISENHOWER SAID THAT THE JOINT STATEMENT ISSUED YESTERDAY SHOWS THERE IS NO CHANGE IN POLICY. HE DID NOT DEAL SPECIFICALLY WITH THE ISSUE OF REPORTS OF ADENAUER'S CONCERN, APPARENTLY LEAVING IT UP TO

THE CHANCELLOR TO SET FORTH HIS OWN VIEWS AND REACTIONS IN A SCHEDULED LUNCHEON SPEECH BEFORE THE NATIONAL PRESS CLUB.

PRIOR TO THE PRESS CLUB SESSION ADENAUER ARRANGED TO MEET WITH LABOR LEADERS AND WITH DEAN ACHESON, SECRETARY OF STATE UNDER FORMER PRESIDENT TRUMAN.

ADENAUER'S FOREIGN MINISTER, HEINRICH VON BRENTANO, SAID FOLLOWING THE DISCUSSIONS AT THE WHITE HOUSE AND STATE DEPARTMENT YESTERDAY: "I AM LEAVING THE STATE DEPARTMENT CONVINCED THERE ARE NO DIFFERENCES BETWEEN BONN AND WASHINGTON AS REGARDS ALL DECISIVE QUESTIONS."

ADENAUER, ON HIS WAY TO TOKYO, CAME HERE TO SEEK ASSURANCE THAT THE PRESIDENT WAS DEAD SET AGAINST NEGOTIATING ANY SUMMIT AGREEMENT WITH RUSSIA AT THE EXPENSE OF THE POSITION OF THE WESTERN POWERS IN WEST BERLIN.

THE 84-YEAR-OLD CHANCELLOR IS KNOWN TO FEEL THAT THE PRESENT ARRANGEMENT WHEREBY U. S., BRITISH AND FRENCH FORCES ON THE SCENE GUARANTEE THE INDEPENDENCE OF WEST BERLIN CANNOT BE IMPROVED UPON BY ANY NEGOTIATED AGREEMENT.

IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT HE TOOK THIS LINE IN HIS TALK WITH EISENHOWER ALTHOUGH THERE WAS NO DETAILED REPORT ON THEIR EXCHANGE.

U. S. OFFICIALS SAID THE PRESIDENT GAVE ASSURANCE THAT THERE WOULD BE NO COMPROMISE ON BASIC PROTECTION FOR THE POSITION OF WEST BERLIN AS A WESTERN CITY SURROUNDED BY EAST GERMANY.

A JOINT STATEMENT ISSUED FOLLOWING THE WHITE HOUSE MEETING SAID THAT EISENHOWER AND ADENAUER REASSERTED THEIR DETERMINATION TO TRY TO ACHIEVE "THE REUNIFICATION OF GERMANY IN PEACE AND FREEDOM."

"THEY FURTHER AGREED," THE STATEMENT SAID, "THAT THE PRESERVATION OF THE FREEDOM OF THE PEOPLE OF WEST BERLIN, AND THEIR RIGHT OF SELF-DETERMINATION, MUST UNDERLIE ANY FUTURE AGREEMENT AFFECTING THE CITY."

SOME QUESTION WAS RAISED ABOUT WHAT THE TWO MEN MEANT BY A REFERENCE TO "ANY FUTURE AGREEMENT." THE PHRASE WAS LEFT WITHOUT OFFICIAL EXPLANATION. PRESUMABLY, HOWEVER, IT WAS PUT IN TO COVER THE POSSIBILITY THAT SOME KIND OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE WESTERN POWERS AND RUSSIA ON THE FUTURE OF WEST BERLIN MIGHT RESULT FROM THE SUMMIT CONFERENCE AND LATER NEGOTIATIONS.

EISENHOWER HAS TAKEN THE POSITION THAT THE WESTERN POWERS CANNOT REFUSE TO NEGOTIATE WITH RUSSIA ON THE BERLIN QUESTION SO LONG AS SOVIET PREMIER NIKITA KHRUSHCHEV WITHHOLDS ANY THREAT OF CRACKDOWN BY SOME FIXED TIME IN THE FUTURE. KHRUSHCHEV HAS REPEATEDLY THREATENED TO MAKE A SEPARATE PEACE TREATY WITH EAST GERMANY IF HE COULD NOT GET A BERLIN DEAL BUT HAS LEFT VAGUE THE TIMING OF ANY SUCH ACTION.

ADENAUER GAVE A DINNER AT THE GERMAN EMBASSY RESIDENCE LAST NIGHT FOR VICE PRESIDENT RICHARD M. NIXON, SECRETARY OF STATE CHRISTIAN A. HERTER AND OTHER OFFICIALS. TONIGHT HERTER WILL GIVE A DINNER AT HIS HOME FOR THE CHANCELLOR.

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NIGHT LEAD DISARMAMENT

BY TOM OCHILTREE

GENEVA, MARCH 16 (AP)--THE RUSSIANS TODAY PROPOSED AN INTERNATIONAL CONTROL SYSTEM TO POLICE A GENERAL DISARMAMENT AGREEMENT, BUT INSISTED ON THE RIGHT TO VETO ANY CHARGES OF VIOLATIONS BROUGHT AGAINST THE SOVIET UNION.

SOVIET DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER VALERIAN ZORIN TOLD THE 10-NATION DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE THAT THE RUSSIAN PLAN FOR TOTAL DISARMAMENT PROVIDES FOR CONTROLS TO BEGIN FUNCTIONING WITH THE FIRST CUTS IN MEN AND ARMS.

ZORIN SUPPLIED WHAT HE CALLED A CLARIFICATION OF THE DISARMAMENT PLAN INTRODUCED BY SOVIET PREMIER NIKITA S. KHRUSHCHEV IN THE U.N. GENERAL ASSEMBLY LAST SEPT. 18. THE SOVIET PLAN STILL IS TO BE PUT FORMALLY BEFORE THE CONFERENCE HERE.

INTRODUCING THE RIVAL WESTERN PLAN, BRITISH MINISTER OF STATE DAVID ORMSBY-GORE STRESSED THAT JUDICIAL ARRANGEMENTS AND SANCTIONS--A CONTROL SYSTEM WITH TEETH--WOULD BE NECESSARY TO ENFORCE DISARMAMENT.

HE ALSO UNDERLINED ANOTHER BASIC WESTERN DEMAND--THAT NUCLEAR SPACE VEHICLES CAPABLE OF DOMINATING THE WORLD MUST "NEVER BE PUT INTO ORBIT BY ANYONE."

ZORIN ACCUSED THE UNITED STATES OF BLOCKING AN AGREEMENT TO SUSPEND NUCLEAR WEAPONS TESTS. HE SAID THE KREMLIN REGARDS THE PROHIBITION OF SUCH TESTS AS A NECESSARY PRELUDE TO GENERAL

DISARMAMENT.

WITH AMERICAN BACKING, ORMSBY-GORE DENIED ZORIN'S CHARGE THAT THE WEST WAS UNWILLING TO CONCLUDE A NUCLEAR TEST BAN. BY LINKING THE TEST BAN PROBLEM WITH GENERAL DISARMAMENT ZORIN CLEARLY SOUGHT TO BLEM THE UNITED STATES IN ADVANCE FOR ANY FAILURE OF THE NEWLY CONVENED DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE.

BOTH THE WESTERN POWERS AND THE SOVIET UNION PROPOSED THREE-STAGE PLANS FOR COMPLETE DISARMAMENT. ALTHOUGH THESE RIVAL PROPOSALS HAVE A SURFACE SIMILARITY, THEY CONTAIN THREE MAJOR CONTRADICTIONS:

1. THE INTERNATIONAL DISARMAMENT ORGANIZATION PROPOSED BY THE WEST WOULD HAVE MACHINERY TO JUDGE IF A VIOLATION HAD TAKEN PLACE AND SANCTIONS TO APPLY AGAINST A VIOLATOR. THE SOVIET PLAN WOULD REFER VIOLATIONS IN THE LAST RESORT TO THE U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL, WHERE RUSSIA HAS A VETO.

2. THE SOVIET PROGRAM, WOULD NOT TOUCH NUCLEAR STOCKPILES UNTIL THE THIRD STAGE. THUS THE REALLY IMPORTANT WEAPONS WOULD BE LEFT UNTIL LAST. AT THE INSISTENCE OF THE FRENCH, THIS PROBLEM HAS BEEN GIVEN GREATER PRIORITY IN THE WESTERN PLAN.

3. THE RUSSIANS, AIMING PARTICULARLY AT U.S. OPERATIONS ABROAD, INSIST ON ABOLISHING ALL FOREIGN BASES IN STAGE TWO. THERE IS NOTHING IN THE WESTERN PLAN ABOUT BASES. THE UNITED STATES, BRITAIN, FRANCE, ITALY AND CANADA FEEL THAT THEIR MILITARY BASES MIGHT CONTINUE FUNCTIONING FOR SOME TIME AS PART OF THEIR OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE U.N. CHARTER TO PRESERVE WORLD PEACE.

IN THE 90-MINUTE SESSION ZORIN PROPOSED THAT THE UNITED STATES, THE SOVIET UNION AND RED CHINA CUT THEIR ARMED FORCES TO 1,700,000 MEN EACH IN 18 MONTHS AS A STEP TOWARD THE KREMLIN'S AVOWED GOAL OF TOTAL WORLD DISARMAMENT WITHIN FOUR YEARS. HE SUGGESTED THAT BRITAIN AND FRANCE PRUNE THEIR ARMED FORCES TO 650,000 MEN EACH WITHIN 18 MONTHS.

THE WESTERN PLAN CALLS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND THE SOVIET UNION TO HOLD THEIR FORCES TO 2 1/2 MILLION MEN EACH IN THE FIRST STAGE, OF UNDEFINED LENGTH, AND TO CUT THEM TO 2,100,000 IN THE SECOND STAGE, WITH CORRESPONDING REDUCTIONS IN OTHER NATIONS.

CURRENTLY THE UNITED STATES HAS ABOUT 2 1/2 MILLION MEN IN UNIFORM, RUSSIA SAYS SHE HAS 3,623,000, A TOTAL SUPPOSED TO BE REDUCED BY THE DEMOBILIZATION OF 1,200,000 MEN IN THE NEXT YEAR OR TWO. RED CHINA, UNREPRESENTED IN THE CONFERENCE, IS ESTIMATED BY U.S. MILITARY MEN TO HAVE AN ARMY OF 2,600,000 MEN, WITH THOUSANDS OF OTHERS IN A 2,000-PLANE AIR FORCE AND A LITTLE NAVY.

THE AMERICAN POSITION, AS SET FORTH BY PRESIDENT EISENHOWER IN A WASHINGTON NEWS CONFERENCE, IS THAT THERE IS NO POINT IN TRYING TO BRING IN RED CHINA UNTIL A MORE ADVANCED STAGES IS REACHED IN ARMS CONTROL NEGOTIATIONS. HE SAID THE WESTERN DISARMAMENT PLAN IS SUPERIOR TO THAT OF THE RUSSIANS.

ORMSBY-GORE REMINDED THE CONFERENCE THAT, THOUGH IT IS POSSIBLE NOW TO PUT A SATELLITE CARRYING A HEAVY WEIGHT INTO ORBIT, IT IS NOT YET POSSIBLE TO BRING ITS LOAD BACK TO EARTH AT A SELECTED SPOT.

"BUT...WE SHOULD BE VERY UNWISE TO ASSUME THAT THE TECHNICAL PROBLEMS INVOLVED WILL NOT SOON BE MASTERED," HE SAID.

THAT WAS WHY IT IS SO NECESSARY TO INSURE THAT NUCLEAR ARMED SPACE VEHICLES ARE NEVER PUT INTO ORBIT. HE SAID. ORMSBY-GORE DID NOT

SPECIFY, BUT THERE HAVE BEEN PREDICTIONS THAT SUCH WEAPONS WILL BE IN EXISTENCE IN 10 YEARS OR LESS.

ZORIN'S REFERENCE TO THE SUSPENSION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS TESTS FOCUSED THE SPOTLIGHT MOMENTARILY ON THE DEADLOCKED 16-MONTH-OLD ATOMIC TALKS.

AT THIS SEPARATE CONFERENCE IN GENEVA'S PALACE OF NATIONS, AMERICAN, BRITISH AND SOVIET DELEGATES AGAIN FAILED TO MAKE PROGRESS. THEY HAVE BEEN WRNAGLING IN 186 MEETINGS OVER DETAILS OF A CONTROL SYSTEM.

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ZORIN ELABORATED ON THE SOVIET DISARMAMENT PLAN AT TODAY'S SESSION BUT DID NOT FORMALLY INTRODUCE IT AS A CONFERENCE DOCUMENT IN THE SAME WAY THE WESTERN PLAN WAS INTRODUCED.

HE MAINTAINED THAT THE SOVIET PLAN ALREADY HAD BEEN FORMALLY SENT TO THE CONFERENCE BY THE UNITED NATIONS, WHICH RELAYED THE PROPOSALS MADE BY KHRUSHCHEV BEFORE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY LAST FALL.

THIS APPEARED TO BE A SOVIET PROCEDURAL MANEUVER AIMED AT GIVING THE SOVIET PLAN PRIORITY OVER THE WESTERN PLAN IN THE DISCUSSIONS.

A SOVIET COMMENTATOR CHARGED TODAY THAT THE WESTERN PLAN FOR DISARMAMENT "FAILS COMPLETELY TO EXPRESS THE SENTIMENTS OF THE PEOPLE."

IN AN ENGLISH LANGUAGE RADIO MOSCOW BROADCAST BEAMED TO NORTH AMERICA, THE COMMENTATOR SAID: "THE PLAN NOW BEING PUT FORWARD BY THE WEST REFLECTS THE SENTIMENTS OF PENTAGON GENERALS WHO ARE DEMANDING A REARMAMENT DRIVE AND THAT NUCLEAR EXPERIMENTS BE CONTINUED."

TEN-NATION EAST-WEST DISARMAMENT TALKS OPENED IN GENEVA THIS WEEK. JA1007PES

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NIGHT LEAD GATES

BY EDWIN B. HAAKINSON

WASHINGTON, MARCH 16 (AP)--SECRETARY OF DEFENSE THOMAS S. GATES JR. TODAY FLATLY REJECTED DEMOCRATIC SUGGESTIONS THAT THIS COUNTRY SHOULD MATCH RUSSIA MISSILE FOR MISSILE OR MAINTAIN AN AIRBORNE ALERT OF STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND BOMBERS NOW.

TESTIFYING AGAIN BEFORE TWO SENATE GROUPS, GATES RATED THE UNITED STATES AHEAD OF SOVIET RUSSIA IN TOTAL DESTRUCTIVE POWER OF ITS NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND THE MEANS TO HURL THEM AGAINST ENEMY TARGETS.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE PENTAGON CHIEF SAID STUDY IS BEING MADE ON WHETHER TO ORDER STEPUPS IN STOCKS OF INTERCONTINENTAL BALLISTIC MISSILES AND MISSILE-FIRING NUCLEAR SUBMARINES. HE HAD INDICATED THIS LAST WEEK AT A NEWS CONFERENCE.

"I WILL NOT HESITATE TO RECOMMEND" MORE FUNDS FOR THESE PURPOSES IF NEEDED, GATES TOLD THE SENATE SPACE COMMITTEE AND PREPAREDNESS SUBCOMMITTEE.

THE DEFENSE SECRETARY SAID ADDITIONAL TESTS MUST BE RUN ON THE NUCLEAR-POWERED POLARIS SUBMARINES, PLANNED TO LAUNCH MISSILES WHILE SUBMERGED OR ON THE SURFACE, BEFORE CONGRESS MIGHT BE ASKED FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDS.

SEN. LYNDON B. JOHNSON (D-TEX), CHAIRMAN OF BOTH COMMITTEES, NOTED THAT IN THE PAST CONGRESS HAD VOTED ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR DEFENSE ONLY TO HAVE THEM FROZEN BY THE EXECUTIVE OR USED FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

IF CONGRESS DECIDED MORE FUNDS ARE NEEDED NOW, "WILL YOU USE THEM?" JOHNSON PRESSED GATES.

"THAT IS ALWAYS A QUESTION FOR THE PRESIDENT TO DECIDE," GATES REPLIED, ADDING THAT HE BELIEVED PRESIDENT EISENHOWER WOULD AGREE TO ANY RECOMMENDATION HE AND THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF MADE.

IN HIS FORMAL STATEMENT, GATES TERMED THE OVER-ALL THREAT OF COMMUNISM AS COMPLEX, INVOLVING MILITARY, POLITICAL, ECONOMIC AND PHYSICAL ELEMENTS.

"IN THE MILITARY FIELD WE MUST CONSIDER THE ENTIRE PICTURE AND NOT AN ISOLATED PART, NO MATTER HOW DRAMATIC THAT PART MAY BE," HE SAID.

"THE COMMUNIST MILITARY REQUIREMENTS ARE VASTLY DIFFERENT. THAT IS WHY WE DO NOT NEED TO MATCH THE COMMUNISTS BOMBER FOR BOMBER, MISSILE FOR MISSILE, DIVISION FOR DIVISION OR SUBMARINE FOR SUBMARINE."

THE SECRETARY SAID HE AND HIS ADVISERS ARE CONVINCED THE UNITED STATES NOW HAS THE STRENGTH TO CONVINCE COMMUNIST LEADERS THAT AN ATTACK ON THIS COUNTRY WOULD BE SUICIDAL--"AND OUR DEFENSE PROGRAMS ARE DESIGNED TO MAINTAIN THIS STRENGTH."

"WE HAVE NUCLEAR WEAPONS THAT EXCEED THOSE OF THE U.S.S.R. SEVERAL TIMES IN TOTAL DESTRUCTIVE POWER," GATES SAID. "WE HAVE LONG-RANGE MEANS OF DELIVERY THAT EXCEED THEIRS BY SEVERAL TIMES IN TOTAL CARRYING CAPACITY."

"WE HAVE, IN COMBINATION, 'ENOUGH' TO BRING DESTRUCTION TO ANYONE WHO ATTACKS US."

COUNSEL EDWIN WEISL TRIED TO GET THE SECRETARY TO TALK ABOUT A POSSIBLE RATIO OF RUSSIAN SUPERIORITY OVER THE UNITED STATES IN MISSILES. SOME DEMOCRATS CONTEND THE RUSSIANS ARE BUILDING UP TO AT LEAST A 3-1 EDGE IN ICBMS.

"I THINK IT IS TERRIBLY MISLEADING TO GET INTO RATIOS," GATES SAID.

"I THINK THE DIFFERENCE HAS NARROWED BUT I CAN'T TALK ABOUT RATIOS."

PEPPERED BY QUESTIONS ON THIS, GATES FINALLY SAID HE WOULD STAND ON HIS PREVIOUS TESTIMONY THAT RUSSIA MIGHT ENJOY A MODERATE NUMERICAL SUPREMACY IN MISSILES IN THE NEXT THREE YEARS.

WEISL ALSO QUIZZED GATES ABOUT TESTIMONY OF GEN. THOMAS S. POWER, SAC COMMANDER, THAT AN AIRBORNE ALERT SHOULD BE MOUNTED AT ONCE. GATES REPLIED THAT HE AND THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF AGREE THAT A FULL ALERT IS NOT NEEDED AT THIS TIME.

BUT, THE SECRETARY ADDED, "AN AIRBORNE ALERT IS IN EFFECT NOW IN A CERTAIN SENSE. WE HAVE AIRPLANES IN THE AIR TODAY."

WHAT IS TO PREVENT A RUSSIA PEARL HARBOR-TYPE ATTACK ON THE UNITED STATES? WEISL ASKED.

"I DO NOT BELIEVE THE SOVIET UNION IS INTERESTED IN COMMITTING SUICIDE," GATES ANSWERED.

SEN. HENRY M. JACKSON (D-WAASH) ASKED GATES ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF USING THE POLARIS MISSILE FROM LAND BASES IN EUROPE. THE SECRETARY SAID THIS QUESTION IS UNDER REVIEW.

THE POLARIS IS A SOLID-FUEL MISSILE DESIGNED FOR FIRING FROM SUBMARINES. IT WILL HAVE A PLANNED RANGE AT FIRST OF ABOUT 1,200 MILES.

JACKSON TOLD A NEWSMAN HE BELIEVED IT COULD BE USED FROM THE SAME BASES NOW BEING READIED IN SUCH COUNTRIES AS ENGLAND FOR U.S. LIQUID-FUEL MISSILES, THOR AND JUPITER.

JACKSON ASKED GATES IF ICBM LAUNCHING SITES WERE NOT BEING PLACED CLOSE TO Bomber BASES FOR ECONOMY REASONS, AND I THIS DID NOT MAKE THEM MORE VULNERABLE.

GATES SAID THE REASONS WERE EFFICIENCY AND ECONOMY. BUT HE SAID THE SITES HAD BEEN CAREFULLY CHECKED TO MAKE SURE THEY COULD NOT BE DESTROYED IN AN ATTACK ON THE COMPANION AIR BASE.

SEN. CLINTON P. ANDERSON (D-NM), CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE-HOUSE ATOMIC ENERGY COMMITTEE, NOTED GATES' STATEMENT THAT THIS COUNTRY HAS NUCLEAR WEAPONS EXCEEDING THOSE OF THE SOVIET UNION BY SEVERAL TIMES.

"DID THE RUSSIANS SHOW YOU THEIR STOCKPILE FIGURES?" ANDERSON INQUIRED.

GATES REPLIED WITH A SMILE THAT THEY HAD NOT DONE SO; HE EXPLAINED HIS ASSERTION WAS BASED ON U.S. INTELLIGENCE ESTIMATES. HE SAID HE WOULD AGREE WITH ANDERSON THE RUSSIANS ALSO HAVE A SUBSTANTIAL ATOMIC STOCKPILE.

SEN. STUART SYMINGTON (D-MO), PERSISTENT CRITIC OF EISENHOWER DEFENSE PROGRAMS, TOLD GATES HE OBJECTED TO A CUTBACK AND STRETCHOUT ON DEVELOPMENT OF THE 2,000-MILE-AN-HOUR B70 Bomber.

GATES EXPLAINED THAT DEVELOPMENT OF THE B70 WAS PLANNED FOR 1965 OR EVEN 1967, AND BY THAT TIME THIS COUNTRY WOULD HAVE MORE MISSILE SYSTEMS IN OPERATION.

HE SAID THE B70 WOULD BE A COMPETITIVE NUCLEAR DELIVERY WEAPON, SO IT WAS DECIDED TO DELAY IT FOR ANOTHER YEAR.

GATES TOLD SEN. E.L. BARTLETT (DALASKA) THAT A STATION FOR THE BALLISTIC MISSILE EARLY WARNING SYSTEM (BMEWS) IS BEING SET UP IN ALASKA.

GATES SAID HIS AGENCY IS MOVING AHEAD RAPIDLY WITH THE MIDAS PROJECT. THIS CALLS FOR DEVELOPMENT OF A RECONNAISSANCE SATELLITE TO GIVE WARNING OF MISSILE ATTACKS.

THE SECRETARY SAID THE RECENT DECISION TO REMOVE 15 NAVY SHIPS FROM PICKET DUTY AS A PART OF THE DEW-LINE WARNING SYSTEM WAS SUPPORTED BY THE JOINT CHIEFS IN LINE WITH A NEED TO ACHIEVE A BALANCED DEFENSE PROGRAM.

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TAIPEI, FORMOSA, MARCH 16 (AP)--U.S. NAVY SECRETARY WILLIAM B. FRANKE TOLD A NEWS CONFERENCE TODAY THERE WILL BE NO U.S. SUBMARINES EQUIPPED WITH THE POLARIS MISSILE IN THE PACIFIC IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

"WE'RE JUST BEGINNING TO COMPLETE POLARIS SUBMARINES WITH THE MISSILE AND OUR DEPLOYMENT PROGRAM IS NOT YET ESTABLISHED FOR EITHER THE ATLANTIC OR THE PACIFIC," HE SAID.

ASKED ABOUT REPORTS OF INCREASED RED CHINESE NAVAL, AIR AND GROUND ACTIVITIES, HE SAID: "OF COURSE WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT IT. THE SITUATION IN THE (FORMOSA) STRAIT CHANGES ALL THE TIME...BUT WE CAN TAKE CARE OF THE SITUATION."

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(400) AMS BUDGET
NIGHT LEAD ATOMIC TEST
BY FRANK CAREY

ASSOCIATED PRESS SCIENCE WRITER

WASHINGTON, MARCH 16 (AP)--THE UNITED STATES ANNOUNCED TODAY IT'S GEARING UP FOR AN UNDERGROUND NUCLEAR BLAST IN NEW MEXICO. IT SAID IT WOULD WELCOME OBSERVERS FROM RUSSIA AND OTHER NATIONS AT THE SHOW.

THE ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION ANNOUNCED IT HAS GIVEN THE GO-AHEAD ON CONSTRUCTION AND SITE PREPARATION FOR A PROPOSED DETONATION OF A NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVE DEEP UNDERGROUND IN SALT FORMATIONS 25 MILES SOUTH-EAST OF CARLSBAD. THE PROJECT HAS THE CODE NAME "GNOME."

IT WOULD BE A NEW PHASE IN THE AEC'S "PLOWSHARE" PROGRAM--DESIGNED TO EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITY OF USING NUCLEAR DETONATIONS FOR SUCH PEACEFUL USES AS PRODUCING ELECTRIC POWER, BLASTING OUT HARBORS, TAPPING OIL FROM OIL-BEARING SHALES AND TAR SANDS, DIGGING CANALS, AND CONTROLLING SURFACE AND UNDERGROUND WATER RESOURCES.

THE COMMISSION SAID FINAL AUTHORIZATION TO DETONATE THE NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVE--WHICH WOULD PACK THE PUNCH OF 10,000 TONS OF TNT--WOULD BE THE DECISION OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

BUT SEN. CLINTON P. ANDERSON (D-NM), CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE-HOUSE ATOMIC ENERGY COMMITTEE, SAID HE UNDERSTOOD THE SHOT IS PLANNED FOR

SOMETIME IN JANUARY 1961.

THE AEC, IN ITS ANNOUNCEMENT OF PLANS, SAID SITE CONSTRUCTION IS ESTIMATED TO TAKE ABOUT A YEAR, AND TO COST ABOUT ONE MILLION DOLLARS.

THE COMMISSION SAID DETAILED STUDIES AND EXPERIMENTS HAVE BEEN CONDUCTED TO ASSURE THE SAFETY OF THE PLANNED BLAST. ANDERSON SAID NO CONTAMINATION OF THE ATMOSPHERE WITH RADIOACTIVE FISSION PRODUCTS IS EXPECTED BECAUSE THE DETONATION WOULD BE DEEP UNDERGROUND.

ANDERSON SAID THE PROJECT WOULD NOT BE A WEAPONS TEST, AND THE AEC DECLARED IN ITS STATEMENT THAT:

"DURING THE CURRENT NUCLEAR TEST SUSPENSION NEGOTIATIONS IN THE GENEVA, THE U.K., THE U.S. AND THE U.S.S.R. HAVE AGREED IN PRINCIPLE ON THE USE OF NUCLEAR EXPLOSIONS FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES."

"THE SCIENTIFIC RESULTS OF PROJECT GNOME, LIKE ALL PLOWSHARE PROJECTS, WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE ON A WORLDWIDE BASIS AND THE UNITED STATES WILL WELCOME OBSERVERS FROM THE UNITED NATIONS OR ANY OF ITS MEMBER COUNTRIES WHICH ARE INTERESTED IN THE PROJECT."

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AMONG SCIENTIFIC OBJECTIVES OF THE PROGRAM ARE THESE:
 1. TO EXPLORE THE FEASIBILITY OF CONVERTING THE ENERGY FROM THE NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVE INTO HEAT FOR THE PRODUCTION OF ELECTRIC POWER. AEC SCIENTISTS HAVE SAID THE ULTIMATE OBJECTIVE WOULD BE TO TOUCH OFF BIG H-BOMB TYPE EXPLOSIVES UNDERGROUND AND THEN PUMP WATER INTO THE EXPLOSION TUNNEL--TO CREATE STEAM FOR POSSIBLE POWER GENERATION.
 2. TO DETERMINE WHETHER RADIOACTIVE ISOTOPES--IMPORTANT TO INDUSTRY, MEDICINE AND AGRICULTURE--COULD BE "MINED" SOME DAY IN PRACTICAL QUANTITIES FROM THE SITE OF AN UNDERGROUND DETONATION.
 3. TO MAKE MEASUREMENTS OF NEUTRONS RELEASED IN AN UNDERGROUND BLAST--MEASUREMENTS WHICH MIGHT CONTRIBUTE TO FURTHER ADVANCES IN ORTHODOX NUCLEAR REACTORS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF POWER AND OTHER USES.
 JC240PES

A107

SECOND NIGHT LEAD ATOMIC
 PARIS, MARCH 16 (AP)--THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT SAID TONIGHT THAT RADIOACTIVE FALLOUT FROM THE FRENCH ATOM BLAST IN THE SAHARA LAST MONTH RESULTED IN NO DANGER TO INHABITED REGIONS.
 AN OFFICIAL REPORT SAID THE ZONE OF DANGEROUS FALLOUT EXTENDED 60 MILES EAST OF POINT ZERO AT THE DESERT TESTING STATION AT REGANNE. THE AREA WAS NEVER MORE THAN 7.5 MILES WIDE, THE REPORT SAID, AND THE OVERALL REGION WAS WELL WITHIN THE UNINHABITED TEST ZONE.
 THE ARMY ANNOUNCED EARLIER THAT THE ATOMIC DEVICE EXPLODED EQUALLED BETWEEN 60,000 AND 70,000 TONS OF TNT IN POWER.

THE FIRST U.S. ATOMIC BOMB DROPPED ON HIROSHIMA, JAPAN, IN WORLD WAR II EQUALLED 20,000 TONS OF TNT.
 THE BRIEF ARMY MINISTRY COMMUNIQUE SAID:
 "THE POWER OF THE ATOMIC DEVICE TESTED FEB. 13 AT REGGANE WAS IN THE RANGE OF BETWEEN 60 AND 70 KILOTONS (60,000 AND 70,000 TONS OF TNT) AND THAT THE SUCCESS OF THE EXPLOSION WAS PARTICULARLY SATISFACTORY."
 THE STRENGTH INDICATED A HIGH DEGREE OF TECHNICAL SKILL IN THE FABRICATION OF NUCLEAR DEVICES.

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A98

NEW DELHI, MARCH 16 (AP)--PRIME MINISTER NEHRU SAID TODAY HE CONSIDERS IT UNLIKELY RED CHINA WILL EXPLODE AN ATOMIC BOMB MARCH 28, AS REPORTED BY A MEMBER OF INDIA'S PARLIAMENT.
 DR. RACHUVIRA (NO FIRST NAME), WHO CLAIMS TO HAVE WIDE CONTACTS IN CHINA, TOLD THE UPPER HOUSE MARCH 8 THE CHINESE COMMUNISTS WOULD SET OFF THE BOMB WITH SOVIET HELP MARCH 28 NEAR URUMCHI, SINKIANG PROVINCE.
 COMMENTING AT A NEWS CONFERENCE, NEHRU SAID RACHUVIRA "HAS SPECIAL INFORMATION NOT AT MY DISPOSAL," BUT SUCH A CHINESE MOVE TO JOIN THE ATOMIC CLUB IS CONSIDERED VERY UNLIKELY.

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CALCUTTA, INDIA, MARCH 16 (AP)--THE MAHARAJA OF BHUTAN SAID TODAY RED CHINA'S REFUSAL TO ACCEPT THE MCMAHON LINE AS ITS BORDER WITH INDIA IS A POTENTIAL THREAT TO THE SECURITY OF HIS 18,000-SQUARE-MILE KINGDOM.
 THE MAHARAJA, WHOSE PEOPLE ARE ESTIMATED AT 700,000, IS JIGME DORJI WANGCHUK, 31, CALLED THE PRECIOUS KING OF THE THUNDER DRAGON. BHUTAN IS A SOVEREIGN BUDDHIST STATE IN THE HIMALAYAS BETWEEN INDIA AND COMMUNIST-RUN TIBET. IT HAS NO DIRECT DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH ANY NATION.

A VISITOR TO INDIA, THE MAHARAJA TOLD NEWSMEN HE HOPES PRIME MINISTER NEHRU WILL TAKE UP PEIPING'S CLAIM TO MORE THAN 300 SQUARE MILES IN NORTHEASTERN BHUTAN WITH CHINESE PREMIER CHOU EN-LAI WHEN THEY DISCUSS THEIR OWN BIGGER BORDER ISSUES. NEHRU AND CHOU ARE EXPECTED TO MEET IN NEW DELHI NEXT MONTH.

RED CHINA HAS NEVER RECOGNIZED THE MCMAHON LINE, DRAWN ACROSS HIMALAYAN CRESTS WHEN THE BRITISH RULED INDIA, AND CLAIMS MORE THAN 50,000 SQUARE MILES OF BORDER TERRITORY UNDER THE INDIAN FLAG.

THE MAHARAJA SAID BHUTAN'S POSITION WAS EXPLAINED TO NEHRU IN A RECENT COMMUNICATION AND A PROTEST HAS BEEN LODGED AGAINST CHINA'S CLAIM. HE DESCRIBED BHUTAN'S PRESENT RELATIONS WITH CHINA AS FRIENDLY AND PEACEFUL.

HE SAID HE DID NOT FEEL THE CONCENTRATION OF CHINESE TROOPS ON THE NORTHERN BORDER CONSTITUTED A THREAT TO BHUTAN'S SECURITY. HE ADDED THAT BHUTAN WOULD DO HER BEST TO DEFEND HER FRONTIERS AGAINST ANY AGGRESSION.

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RUSSIANS (130)

SAN FRANCISCO, MARCH 16 (AP)--FOUR RUSSIAN SAILORS WHO DRIFTED SEVEN WEEKS ON THE PACIFIC OCEAN WERE STILL TOO TIRED TODAY TO USE THE KEYS TO THE CITY PRESENTED BY MAYOR GEORGE CHRISTOPHER. THE QUARTET, PICKED UP MARCH 7 BY THE USS KEARSARGE AFTER THEY HAD BEEN BLOWN OUT TO SEA OFF ETOFORU ISLAND IN THE KURILES ON JAN. 17, ARE RESTING IN A MOTEL. THEY DECLINED CHRISTOPHER'S OFFER

OF A CITY CAR FOR SIGHTSEEING, SAYING THEY WERE TOO TIRED.

THE FOUR ARE PETTY OFFICER VICTOR ZIGANSHIN, 22; PHILIP G. POPLAVSKY, 20; IVAN Y. FEDETOF, 21, AND ANATOLE V. KRUCHOVSKI, 20. THE KEARSARGE PUT THEM ASHORE VIA HELICOPTER YESTERDAY AND THEY WERE GREETED WITH EMBRACES BY SOVIET EMBASSY SECOND SECRETARY ANATOLI A. KARDASHEV.

CHRISTOPHER, JUST BACK FROM A MOSCOW TRIP, SAID HE WANTED TO DO SOMETHING FOR THE RESCUED MEN TO REPAY RUSSIAN HOSPITALITY HE ENCOUNTERED.

"SPASIBO, SPASIBO," (THANK YOU, THANK YOU) SAID THE RUSSIANS, PUMPING HIS HAND WEAKLY.

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A120 (180)

MOSCOW, MARCH 16 (AP)--PREMIER NIKITA S. KHRUSHCHEV HAS SENT A PERSONAL MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT EISENHOWER THANKING HIM FOR THE U.S. NAVY'S RESCUE OF FOUR SOVIET SAILORS IN THE PACIFIC.

KHRUSHCHEV PRAISED THE "NOBLE BEHAVIOR OF THE AMERICAN SAILORS (AND) THE CARE OF THE AMERICAN AUTHORITIES FOR THE SOVIET YOUTHS," TASS SAID TODAY. KHRUSHCHEV ADDED THAT HE HOPES THE RESCUE WILL HELP PROMOTE GOOD RELATIONS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE SOVIET UNION.

TASS REPORTED KHRUSHCHEV ALSO SENT A MESSAGE TO MAYOR GEORGE CHRISTOPHER OF SAN FRANCISCO, A RECENT VISITOR HERE.

"THE SOVIET MEN AND WOMEN WILL NOT FORGET THE HUMANE ACTION OF THE AMERICAN SAILORS AND THE WARM WELCOME ACCORDED THE RESCUED MEN BY THE POPULATION OF SAN FRANCISCO," THE MESSAGE READ.

MARSHAL RODION MALINOVSKY, SOVIET DEFENSE MINISTER, SENT A MESSAGE TO THOMAS S. GATES JR., HIS U.S. COUNTERPART. TASS SAID MALINOVSKY ASKED GATES TO CONVEY HIS GRATITUDE TO THE COMMANDER AND CREW OF THE AIRCRAFT CARRIER KEARSARGE FOR RESCUING THE SAILORS. THE RUSSIANS HAD SPENT SEVEN WEEKS ADrift IN THEIR LANDING CRAFT AFTER BEING SEPARATED FROM THEIR UNIT BY A STORM DURING AN AMPHIBIOUS EXERCISE OFF THE KURILE ISLANDS. THE MEN ARRIVED IN SAN FRANCISCO YESTERDAY.

-TASS TODAY REPORTED IN DETAIL THE SAGA OF FOUR SOVIET SAILORS ADRIFT IN A SMALL BOAT FOR SEVEN WEEKS IN THE PACIFIC BEFORE BEING RESCUED BY THE U.S. AIRCRAFT CARRIER KEARSARGE. TASS QUOTED IVAN FEDOTOV AS TELLING REPORTERS IN SAN FRANCISCO, WHERE THE SAILORS ARRIVED YESTERDAY, THAT AFTER HIS COMRADES MADE SOUP OUT OF THEIR BOOTS, THEY BOILED THEIR ACCORDION AND THEN "HAD TO SING WITHOUT ACCOMPANIMENT."

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A151 (160)

PARIS, MARCH 16 (AP)-SOME SKEPTICAL FRENCHMEN BEGAN WONDERING TONIGHT IF A SNAG HAD DEVELOPED IN LINING UP A NEW PROGRAM FOR SOVIET PREMIER NIKITA S. KHRUSHCHEV'S VISIT TO FRANCE.

OFFICIAL SOURCES DENIED THERE WERE ANY DIFFICULTIES, SAYING IT WAS ONLY A QUESTION OF TECHNICAL DETAILS.

KHRUSHCHEV WAS TO HAVE ARRIVED IN PARIS FOR A 14-DAY VISIT TO FRANCE. ON SUNDAY IT WAS ANNOUNCED HE WAS ILL. ON MONDAY NEW DATES WERE SET FOR THE VISIT, MARCH 23-APRIL 3.

MORE THAN 48 HOURS LATER A NEW PROGRAM HAD NOT BEEN ANNOUNCED.

SOME PARIS NEWSPAPERS FOUND THAT SUSPICIOUS. THEY REPORTED THAT IN AN EFFORT TO PLEASE KHRUSHCHEV, SEVEN DIFFERENT ITINERARIES HAD BEEN SUBMITTED TO HIM.

THE RIGHTWING NEWSPAPER AURORE CLAIMED "FEVER IS MOUNTING" IN PRESIDENT DE GAULLE'S ELYSEE PALACE. IT SAID "STORMY TELEPHONE CONVERSATIONS ACROSS THE IRON CURTAIN HAVE APPARENTLY BEEN GOING ON."

THE CONSERVATIVE FIGARO WONDERED IN AN EDITORIAL IF KHRUSHCHEV WAS TRYING TO WORK MORE PROPAGANDA POSSIBILITIES INTO THE PROGRAM.

A SPOKESMAN FOR DE GAULLE DENIED THAT ANYTHING BUT LOGICAL TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS WAS HOLDING UP THE PROGRAM.

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ADVANCE FOR 6:30 P. M. EST MARCH 16--NOTE DATE

U. S. PROPAGANDA (350)
(ADVANCE) WASHINGTON, MARCH 16 (AP)-GEORGE V. ALLEN, HEAD OF THE U. S. INFORMATION AGENCY, TODAY CLAIMED A PARTIAL BREAKTHROUGH IN USIA'S ATTEMPT TO PIERCE THE IRON CURTAIN WITH A TRUE PICTURE OF THE UNITED STATES.

IN A SEMIANNUAL REPORT TO CONGRESS, ALLEN SAID THAT DURING 1959:

1. NEARLY 1,000 SOVIET OFFICIALS AND CITIZENS, INCLUDING PREMIER NIKITA S. KHRUSHCHEV, SAW AMERICA WITH THEIR OWN EYES ON VISITS HERE.
2. COUNTLESS RUSSIANS SAW OR HEARD VICE PRESIDENT NIXON DURING HIS TRIP TO RUSSIA.
3. ABOUT THREE MILLION RUSSIANS CAME TO THE U. S. EXHIBIT PUT ON IN MOSCOW LAST SUMMER.

4. THE SOVIETS STOPPED JAMMING VOICE OF AMERICA BROADCASTS AFTER KHRUSHCHEV'S VISIT LAST SEPTEMBER, THUS ALLOWING THE OFFICIAL U. S. BROADCASTS TO ENTER RUSSIA VIRTUALLY JAM-FREE FOR THE FIRST TIME IN A DECADE.

"DURING THE LAST SIX MONTHS," ALLEN SAID, "WE HAVE PROBABLY TOLD MORE PEOPLE IN THE SOVIET UNION ABOUT THE AMERICAN WAY OF LIFE THAN DURING THE ENTIRE PERIOD SINCE THE EFFORT BEGAN, 15 YEARS AGO..."

"ALREADY, THE CLASSIC MARXIST LINE ABOUT OUR ECONOMIC SYSTEM HAS UNDERGONE A CHANGE. MOSCOW NOW ADMITS THAT THE MASSES IN AMERICA ARE WELL FED, WELL CLOTHED AND WELL HOUSED..."

"I AM CONFIDENT THAT WE HAVE MADE PROGRESS IN OUR EFFORT TO CONVINCE THE SOVIET PEOPLE THAT THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE ARE DEMOCRATIC AND PEACE MINDED YET RESOLUTE TO DEFEND THEIR FREEDOM AND TO OPPOSE AGGRESSION."

THE USIA REPORT ACKNOWLEDGED HOWEVER THAT THE PROPAGANDA AGENCY'S EFFORTS WERE NOT MEETING WITH COMPLETE SUCCESS EVERYWHERE.

DESPITE USIA ATTEMPTS "TO COUNTER DISTORTION OF BOTH CURRENT FACTS AND PAST EVENTS" IN FIDEL CASTRO'S CUBA, IT SAID, "THE CASTRO GOVERNMENT, WITH ITS STRONGLY NATIONALIST OVERTONES, WAS STILL ENGAGING IN FREQUENT DENUNCIATION OF THE UNITED STATES AS THE YEAR ENDED."

THE REPORT CHALKED UP A NUMBER OF ACHIEVEMENTS DURING THE PERIOD IT COVERED. INCLUDING:

LIBERIA GAVE LONG TERM PERMISSION TO THE VOICE OF AMERICA TO BUILD AND OPERATE A RADIO BROADCASTING STATION IN THAT COUNTRY WHICH IS DESIGNED TO BEAM U. S. SHORT WAVE BROADCASTS ACROSS ALL OF AFRICA PLUS PART OF THE MIDDLE EAST.

SALES BOOMED FOR THE NEW USIA ARAB LANGUAGE MAGAZINE, LIFE IN AMERICA, DESIGNED FOR NEAR EASTERN READERS AND SELLING FOR 13 CENTS A COPY.

THE VOICE OF AMERICA BEGAN TWICE A DAY BROADCASTS FOR LEARNERS OF "AMERICAN ENGLISH."

MORE THAN 80,000 HOURS WORTH OF USIA-PREPARED PROGRAMS WERE USED BY LATIN AMERICAN RADIO STATIONS.

END ADVANCE FOR 6:30 P. M. EST MARCH 16. SENT MARCH 15
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NIGHT LEAD BEN-GURION (330)

NEW YORK, MARCH 16 (AP)-ISRAELI PREMIER DAVID BEN-GURION FLEW OUT FOR LONDON TONIGHT, HIS SCHEDULE CHANGED AT THE LAST MINUTE IN DEFERENCE TO BRITAIN'S PRINCESS MARGARET.

THE 73-YEAR-OLD BEN-GURION WAS TO HAVE APPEARED AT A UNITED JEWISH APPEAL DINNER AND THEN TAKEN AN 8 P.M. PLANE FROM IDLEWILD AIRPORT. BUT THAT WOULD HAVE LANDED HIM IN LONDON AT THE MOMENT PRINCESS MARGARET IS SCHEDULED TO TAKE OFF TOMORROW ON A TRIP OF HER OWN.

SO BEN-GURION SKIPPED THE DINNER AND TOOK A 6:55 P.M. PLANE. ARRANGEMENTS WERE MADE FOR HIM TO SPEAK TO THE JEWISH APPEAL DINNER BY TELEPHONE WHILE HIS PLANE IS OVER THE ATLANTIC OCEAN.

BEN-GURION EXPECTS TO SEE BRITISH PRIME MINISTER HAROLD MACMILLAN IN LONDON TOMORROW ON HIS WAY BACK TO ISRAEL. THE 73-YEAR-OLD ISRAELI PREMIER CAME HERE LAST WEEK ON AN INFORMAL VISIT THAT INCLUDED TALKS KIN WASHINGTON WITH PRESIDENT EISENHOWER.

ASKED FOR THE HIGHLIGHT OF HIS NEW YORK STOPOVER, BEN-GURION REPLIED:

"I MET MRS. ROOSEVELT--SHE IS THE NICEST PERSON I EVER MET."

HE ALSO MET DURING HIS FINAL DAY HERE REPUBLICAN GOV. NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER AND DEMOCRATIC MAYOR ROBERT F. WAGNER.

IN WINDING UP HIS FIRST VISIT TO THIS COUNTRY IN NINE YEARS, BEN-GURION SAID IN A STATEMENT:

"I LEAVE AMERICA WITH THE FEELING THAT THE FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS AND PEOPLES RESTS ON A SOLID FOUNDATION OF PRINCIPLES AND IDEALS SHARED IN COMMON, ON THE ASPIRATION FOR FREEDOM, PEACE, HUMAN DIGNITY AND THE ELEVATION OF MAN..."

"IN ALL MY CONVERSATIONS DURING MY SHORT STAY IN THIS COUNTRY I SPOKE ABOUT THE NEED FOR PEACE IN OUR AREA AND THE DESIRE OF OUR PEOPLE TO ESTABLISH PEACE BETWEEN OURSELVES AND OUR NEIGHBORS AND THUS ASSIST IN A GENERAL EFFORT TO SECURE PEACE FOR THE WHOLE WORLD."

"I KNOW THAT PEACE IS THE OBJECTIVE OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. I LEAVE IN CONFIDENCE THAT ALL MEN OF GOOD WILL WORK TIRELESSLY FOR PEACE AMONG ALL THE NATIONS, IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND IN ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD."

EARLIER, BEN-GURION TOLD A YESHIVA UNIVERSITY AUDIENCE HERE:

"I BELIEVE WITH UNQUESTIONING FAITH THAT BEFORE YOU PEOPLE REACH MY WHITE HAIR YOU WILL SEE COMPLETE PEACE FOR ISRAEL."

AND IN STILL ANOTHER APPEARANCE DURING THE DAY AT HEBREW UNION COLLEGE-JEWISH INSTITUTE OF RELIGION, THE ISRAELI PREMIER DECLARED:

"ISRAEL IS THE COLLECTIVE WORK OF THREE GENERATIONS OF PIONEERS AND ALSO OF ALL THE JEWISH PEOPLE OF THE WORLD. THEY HAVE REBUILT THE WASTES OF ISRAEL BECAUSE OF THEIR DEEP FAITH AND DEDICATION..."

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B50 Q

WUERZBURG, GERMANY, MARCH 16 (AP)-PROF. GEORG SCHALTENBRAND, A GERMAN PSYCHIATRIST, SAID TODAY HE BELIEVES CAPT. HAROLD J. MAXSON, CHARGED WITH THE FATAL SHOOTING OF A FELLOW OFFICER, WAS INSANE AT THE TIME OF THE INCIDENT.

SCHALTENBRAND TESTIFIED BEFORE A U.S. ARMY GENERAL COURT-MARTIAL TRYING MAXSON, 32, OF PILOT KNOB, MO., FOR THE SHOOTING OF CAPT. ROY A. GIST, 30, OF CHAFFEE, MO., JAN. 2.

EARLIER IN THE TRIAL CAPT. MAXSON'S WIFE TOLD THE COURT THAT, DURING AN ARGUMENT PRECEDING THE SHOOTING, SHE HAD HIT HER HUSBAND OVER THE HEAD TWICE WITH A STEAM IRON.

SCHALTENBRAND TESTIFIED THAT A HEAD INJURY SUCH AS MAXSON RECEIVED WOULD, IN HIS OPINION, CAUSE A BRAIN CONCUSSION OR EVEN CONTUSION SERIOUS ENOUGH TO BRING THE CAPTAIN INTO "A STATE OF TEMPORARY INSANITY."

BEATEN OVER THE HEAD BY HIS WIFE OUT OF JEALOUSY, SCHALTENBRAND SAID, MAXSON "VERY PROBABLY WAS IN A TWILIGHT CONDITION OF MIND, MAKING HIM UNABLE TO BE AWARE OF WHAT HE WAS DOING."

AS A DIRECT RESULT OF BRAIN CONCUSSION CAUSED BY SEVERE HEAD INJURY, SCHALTENBRAND SAID, "PEOPLE CAN BECOME EXTREMELY DANGEROUS, THEY MAY EVEN RUN AMOK, KILLING OTHERS WITHOUT APPARENT REASON OR MOTIVE."

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B9 (Q)

STUTTGART, GERMANY, MARCH 16 (AP)-A U.S. ARMY CAPTAIN, WHO WON THE NATION'S SECOND HIGHEST MEDAL FOR GALLANTRY IN KOREA, TODAY WAS CONVICTED OF MISTREATING AND ASSAULTING AN ENLISTED MAN.

A GENERAL COURT-MARTIAL ALSO FOUND CAPT. RICHARD AGNEW, 28, OF LAWRENCE, MASS., GUILTY OF CONSPIRACY AND OF SOLICITING AN ENLISTED MAN TO SWEAR FALSELY.

THE PROSECUTION TOLD THE COURT THAT AGNEW HAD ORDERED SGT. JAMES A. CARTER, LIVINGSTON, TEX., AND ZED K. WILLIAMS, WASHINGTON, D.C., TO STRIKE PFC. GEORGE C. CAMPBELL, BURLINGTON, MASS.

THE INCIDENT REPORTEDLY TOOK PLACE FEB. 23, 1959, WHEN CAMPBELL RETURNED TO HIS UNIT AFTER BEING ABSENT WITHOUT LEAVE FOR TWO DAYS.

THE CAPTAIN, WHO PLEADED INNOCENT, FACED FOUR INDIVIDUAL CHARGES AND 12 SPECIFICATIONS, WHICH COULD HAVE NETTED HIM 17 YEARS IMPRISONMENT AND DISHONORABLE DISMISSAL FROM THE SERVICE.

IN MILITARY LAW, EACH VIOLATION OF AN ARTICLE OF WAR IS LISTED AS A SPECIFICATION OF THE CHARGE. HE WAS FOUND INNOCENT OF EIGHT SPECIFICATIONS, MEANING THAT HIS SENTENCE WILL BE LIGHTER.

THE SEVEN-OFFICER COURT WILL CONVENE AGAIN TOMORROW TO HEAR TESTIMONY ON MITIGATING CIRCUMSTANCES AND THEN DECIDE ON A SENTENCE.

THE COURT FOUND AGNEW GUILTY OF SOLICITING CARTER TO SWEAR FALSELY WHEN MAKING A STATEMENT TO THE INSPECTOR GENERAL.

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A92 (190)

MANNHEIM, GERMANY, MARCH 16 (AP)-THE U.S. ARMY HAS REPRIMANDED A COLONEL WHOSE 9-YEAR-OLD SON HELPED HIM INSPECT TROOPS.

AN ARMY SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY AN INSPECTOR GENERAL'S INVESTIGATION SUBSTANTIATED ENLISTED MEN'S COMPLAINTS REGARDING RICHARD JURGENS, SON OF COL. DME. JURGENS, 47, OF WASHINGTON D.C.

THE YOUNGSTER, DRESSED IN A MINIATURE LIEUTENANT'S UNIFORM COMPLETE WITH CAMPAIGN RIBBONS, SWAGGER STICK AND NOTE PAD, ACCOMPANIED HIS FATHER ON AN INSPECTION OF AN ORDNANCE COMPANY FEB. 26.

"LETTERS OF ADMONITION HAVE BEEN ADMINISTERED BY MAJ. GEN. T.L. SHERBURNE, COMMANDING GENERAL OF THE 7TH ARMY SUPPORT COMMAND, TO COL. JURGENS AND LT. COL. J.E. DARNER, OF ANGUILLA, MISS., COMMANDING OFFICER OF THE 71ST ORDNANCE BATTALION," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

JURGENS COMMANDS AN ORDNANCE GROUP TO WHICH DARNER'S UNIT AND THE INSPECTED COMPANY BELONG. RICHARD WAS THE MASCOT OF THE 71ST AND HIS UNIFORM AND DECORATIONS HAD BEEN PRESENTED TO HIM BY DARNER, THE ARMY SAID.

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DURING THE INSPECTION, THE BOY IS SAID TO HAVE TORN APART A SOLDIER'S DISPLAY OF CLOTHING, HELD UP A PARKA AND TOLD THE FIRST SERGEANT: "THIS GUY DOESN'T HAVE A PATCH (UNIT SHOULDER PATCH)..HIS NAME IS HOLMES, H-O-L-M-E-S."

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(50) AMS BUDGET

NIGHT LEAD EISENHOWER ROUNDUP

BY DOUGLAS B. CORNELL

WASHINGTON, MARCH 16 (AP)-PRESIDENT EISENHOWER NAILED IT DOWN TODAY: "YES, VERY DEFINITELY" VICE PRESIDENT RICHARD M. NIXON IS HIS MAN FOR THE PRESIDENCY.

EISENHOWER SAID SO AT A NEWS CONFERENCE. AFTERWARD, HE GOT NIXON ON THE TELEPHONE IN NEW YORK AND TOLD HIM WHAT HE HAD SAID. THIS DIDN'T MEAN EISENHOWER WAS TAKING SIDES WITHIN HIS OWN PARTY, SINCE NIXON HAS THE REPUBLICAN PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATION ALL BUT LOCKED UP. YET IT WAS THE FIRST TIME THE PRESIDENT HAD OPENLY ENDORSED NIXON.

PREVIOUSLY HE ALWAYS HAD ACCOMPANIED AN EXPRESSION OF HIS HIGH REGARD FOR THE VICE PRESIDENT WITH WORD THAT THERE WERE A NUMBER OF GOOD REPUBLICANS OF PRESIDENTIAL CALIBER.

IF NIXON WANTS HIM TO, EISENHOWER SAID, HE WILL DO WHAT HE CAN IN THE CAMPAIGN. BUT HE SAID HE THINKS THERE ARE LIMITS, BECAUSE NO CANDIDATE WANTS IT TO APPEAR THAT SOMEONE ELSE "PUT HIM IN HIS POSITION OF PROMINENCE."

IN THAT CONNECTION, EISENHOWER SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW WHETHER IT IS LIKELY THAT HE MIGHT DELIVER THE KEYNOTE ADDRESS AT THE REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION.

THE CONVENTION OPENS JULY 23 IN CHICAGO. EISENHOWER SAID HE HASN'T BEEN INVITED TO DELIVER THE KEYNOTE SPEECH--A STATEMENT WHICH LEFT THE DOOR OPEN TO A BID FROM THE CONVENTION ARRANGEMENTS COMMITTEE.

POLITICS WAS THE LEAD-OFF TOPIC, AND A LIVELY ONE, AT THE PRESIDENT'S FIRST NEWS CONFERENCE IN A MONTH. DRESSED IN BROWN, FROM SHOES TO NECKTIE, EISENHOWER WALKED BRISKLY INTO THE CONFERENCE ROOM, SMILING, LOOKING FIT AND STILL SHOWING SOME OF THE RUDDINESS PICKED UP ON HIS RECENT SOUTH AMERICAN TOUR.

THE QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION PRODUCED SEVERAL HIGHLIGHTS.

EISENHOWER SAID HE REGARDS SOME OF THE NEGRO DEMONSTRATIONS AGAINST SEGREGATION IN THE SOUTH AS PROPER AND CONSTITUTIONAL EXPRESSIONS OF THE ASPIRATIONS OF A PEOPLE.

HE SAID HE HAS HAD NO PROMISE FROM SOVIET PREMIER NIKITA S. KHRUSHCHEV NOT TO STIR UP ANY TROUBLE BEFORE THE U. S. PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION IN NOVEMBER. HE SAID, TOO, THERE IS NO AGREEMENT WITH KHRUSHCHEV TO AVOID ROCKING THE BOAT IN ADVANCE OF AN EAST-WEST SUMMIT CONFERENCE IN PARIS IN MAY. THE SOVIET PREMIER, THE PRESIDENT SAID, HAS NEVER SAID ANYTHING TO HIM ABOUT NOT STIRRING UP TROUBLE BEFORE THE CONFERENCE.

THERE WERE SIGNS THE UNITED STATES INTENDS TO TAKE A TOUGH STAND ON WEST BERLIN AT THE SUMMIT SESSION. EISENHOWER SAID HE HAD TOLD KHRUSHCHEV THIS COUNTRY WON'T ABANDON ITS RIGHTS THERE, ALTHOUGH WITH THAT UNDERSTOOD HE IS WILLING TO DISCUSS BERLIN AND GERMANY AT ANY TIME.

TO A QUESTION WHETHER HE FORESEES NEGOTIATIONS WITH RED CHINA ON DISARMAMENT, THE PRESIDENT REPLIED THAT ARMAMENTS OF THE CHINESE COMMUNISTS EVENTUALLY MUST BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT BUT "WE ARE NOT YET INTO THAT STAGE." THERE WILL HAVE TO BE A GREAT DEAL OF PROGRESS FIRST, HE SAID.

ON ANOTHER TOUCHY FOREIGN POLICY MATTER, EISENHOWER SAID THERE IS NO JUSTIFICATION FOR CUBA TO REGARD AS A REPRISAL HIS REQUEST TO CON-

GRESS FOR AUTHORITY TO CUT THE CUBAN AND OTHER IMPORT QUOTAS FOR SUGAR. MANY CUBAN ACTIVITIES, HE SAID, COULD ENDANGER A SOURCE OF SUPPLY OF SOME 3 1/2 MILLION TONS ANNUALLY, AND HE SHOULD HAVE THE RIGHT TO GO ELSEWHERE TO MAKE SURE THIS COUNTRY GETS THE SUGAR IT NEEDS.

AS FOR THE ECONOMIC OUTLOOK FOR THE REST OF THE YEAR, EISENHOWER TOLD A REPORTER WHO SAID IT SEEMS TO HAVE LOST SOME LUSTER:

"I THINK IT IS VERY HEALTHY AND VERY FINE."

EISENHOWER ENDORSED NIXON TODAY BY WAY OF CLARIFICATION. HE HAD TALKED ABOUT THE VICE PRESIDENT SATURDAY NIGHT IN A WAY THAT WAS INTERPRETED AS MAKING IT CLEAR NIXON IS HIS PERSONAL CHOICE TO BECOME HIS SUCCESSOR.

THAT WAS AT A DINNER OF THE GRIDIRON CLUB, AN ORGANIZATION OF NEWSMEN, AT WHICH TRADITION SAYS "REPORTERS ARE NEVER PRESENT." AS LONG AS SOME ACCOUNTS GOT OUT IN SOME MYSTERIOUS WAY, EISENHOWER SAID WITH A CHUCKLE, HE DIDN'T MIND CLARIFYING A BIT.

WHAT HE CAME OUT WITH WAS THIS:

"IF ANYONE IS WONDERING WHETHER I HAVE ANY PERSONAL PREFERENCE OR EVEN BIAS WITH RESPECT TO THIS UPCOMING PRESIDENTIAL RACE THE ANSWER IS YES, VERY DEFINITELY."

HE GRINNED AND HIS AUDIENCE ROARED.

JUST TO MAKE SURE, A REPORTER ASKED HIM RIGHT OUT WHETHER HE WAS SPEAKING THERE OF NIXON.

"WAS THERE ANY DOUBT IN YOUR MIND?" EISENHOWER COUNTERED.

THE PRESIDENT SIDESTEPED EFFORTS TO GET HIM TO TALK ABOUT DEMOCRATIC POLITICS--WHETHER HE THINKS SEN. JOHN F. KENNEDY OF MASSACHUSETTS IS LEADING FOR THE PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATION OR AGREES WITH SOME DEMOCRATS THAT PAUL M. BUTLER SHOULD GO AS DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CHAIRMAN.

"IF THE DEMOCRATS HAVE ANY TROUBLES," EISENHOWER BEAMED, "I AM NOT GOING TO TRY TO HELP THEM OUT."

EISENHOWER CAME CLOSE TO BRISTLING ONLY AT ONE POINT--ON THE SUBJECT OF RACIAL PROBLEMS IN THE SOUTH, WHERE MASS JAILINGS HAVE GROWN OUT OF WIDESPREAD DEMONSTRATIONS OF NEGROES DEMANDING THAT THEY BE ALLOWED AT WHITE-ONLY LUNCH COUNTERS.

A REPORTER ASKED WHETHER EISENHOWER COULDN'T CALL SOUTHERN LEADERS TO A WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE TO TRY TO WORK OUT SOME CONSTRUCTIVE PROGRAM.

"DO YOU KNOW WHAT I THINK?" HE REPLIED CRISPLY. "I THINK THERE OUGHT TO BE BIRACIAL CONFERENCES IN EVERY CITY AND EVERY COMMUNITY OF THE SOUTH, WHICH WOULD BE MUCH BETTER THAN TRYING TO GET UP HERE AND DIRECT EVERY SINGLE THING FROM WASHINGTON."

TO HIS MIND, THE PRESIDENT SAID, SUCH THINGS AS "DEMONSTRATIONS OF MARCHING IN THE STREETS OR ANY OTHER KIND OF PEACEFUL ASSEMBLY THAT IS TRYING TO SHOW WHAT THE ASPIRATIONS AND THE DESIRES OF A PEOPLE ARE" NOT ONLY ARE CONSTITUTIONAL BUT ALSO PROPER.

OTHER TYPES OF DEMONSTRATIONS, HE SAID, PROBABLY CAN BE CLASSIFIED OTHERWISE.

"NOW LET ME MAKE ONE THING CLEAR," THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE SAID. "I AM DEEPLY SYMPATHETIC WITH THE EFFORTS OF ANY GROUP TO ENJOY THE RIGHTS, THE RIGHTS OF EQUALITY THAT THEY ARE GUARANTEED BY THE CONSTITUTION. I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT VIOLENCE IN ANY FORM FURTHERS THAT ASPIRATION, AND I DEPLORE ANY VIOLENCE THAT IS EXERCISED TO PREVENT THEM--IN HAVING AND ENJOYING THOSE RIGHTS."

AT HIS FIRST NEWS CONFERENCE IN A MONTH, EISENHOWER ALSO DEALT WITH THESE OTHER TOPICS:

SEGREGATION -- COMMENTING ON NEGROES DEMONSTRATING AGAINST SEGREGATION PRACTICES IN THE SOUTH. EISENHOWER SAID HE DEPLORES THE USE OF ANY VIOLENCE INTENDED TO PREVENT NEGROES FROM EXERCISING THEIR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS.

SO LONG AS SUCH DEMONSTRATIONS ARE ORDERLY, HE SEES NO OBJECTION TO THEM, THE PRESIDENT SAID.

HE TOOK THE POSITION THAT VIOLENCE IN ANY FORM WILL NOT ADVANCE THE CAUSE FOR MINORITIES.

HIS REMARKS WERE AGAINST THE BACKGROUND OF BIG SCALE JAILING OF NEGROES WHO HAVE DEMONSTRATED AGAINST SEGREGATION OF THE RACES IN RESTAURANTS AND OTHER PLACES IN THE SOUTH.

THE PRESIDENT EMPHASIZED THAT HE WAS TALKING ABOUT WHAT HE CALLED ORDERLY MARCHING IN AN EFFORT TO SECURE CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS. SUCH MARCHING AND DEMONSTRATING HAS BEEN RECOGNIZED AS CONSTITUTIONAL FOR MANY YEARS, EISENHOWER SAID.

CIVIL RIGHTS -- EISENHOWER REAFFIRMED HIS SUPPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATION'S SEVEN-POINT CIVIL RIGHTS BILL.

THE PRESIDENT ASSERTED HE WANTS THE BEST CIVIL RIGHTS BILL HE CAN GET. WITHOUT SAYING SO SPECIFICALLY HE INDICATED HE WILL PRESS FOR RESTORATION IN THE SENATE OF ANY SECTION OF THE ADMINISTRATION BILL SCUTTLED BY THE HOUSE.

RACIAL CONFERENCES -- EISENHOWER ONCE AGAIN REJECTED THE IDEA OF A WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE DEALING WITH RACIAL STRIFE, BUT HE SAID EVERY CITY IN THE SOUTH OUGHT TO ARRANGE FOR CONFERENCES TO DEAL WITH THIS PROBLEM.

THERE ALREADY IS TOO MUCH WASHINGTON INTERFERENCE IN MATTERS WHICH SHOULD BE HANDLED LOCALLY, THE PRESIDENT SAID.

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POLITICS -- EISENHOWER LEFT THE DOOR OPEN FOR AN INVITATION FROM THE REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR HIM TO MAKE THE KEYNOTE ADDRESS AT THE PARTY'S NATIONAL CONVENTION OPENING JULY 25 IN CHICAGO.

IN REPLY TO A QUESTION, THE PRESIDENT SAID HE HAS NOT AT THIS TIME BEEN INVITED TO MAKE THE ADDRESS. HE SAID THAT IF HE IS ASKED TO HELP THE PARTY IN ANY WAY, HE CERTAINLY WILL DO SO, BUT ADDED THERE ARE CERTAIN LIMITS TO A PRESIDENT'S ACTIVITY IN THIS AREA.

EISENHOWER WAS ASKED WHETHER HE AGREES WITH PREDICTIONS BY SOME DEMOCRATS THAT SEN. JOHN F. KENNEDY OF MASSACHUSETTS WILL WIN THE DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATION. ONE SUCH PREDICTION HAS BEEN ATTRIBUTED TO PAUL M. BUTLER, THE DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CHAIRMAN.

WITH A SMILE, EISENHOWER REPLIED HE WAS GOING TO MAKE NO PREDICTIONS REGARDING THE OUTCOME ON THE OTHER SIDE.

AS FOR DEMANDS FROM SOME DEMOCRATS THAT BUTLER RESIGN IF HE ACTUALLY DID PREDICT THE OUTCOME IN HIS PARTY, EISENHOWER CHUCKLED AND SAID THAT IF THE DEMOCRATS HAVE TROUBLES, HE IS NOT GOING TO HELP THEM OUT.

KHRUSHCHEV -- EISENHOWER SAID HE HAS NO AGREEMENT WITH SOVIET PREMIER NIKITA KHRUSHCHEV AGAINST "ROCKING THE BOAT," AS A NEWSMAN PUT IT, IN ADVANCE OF THE PARIS SUMMIT CONFERENCE IN MAY AND THE U.S. PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION IN NOVEMBER.

EISENHOWER REPORTED THAT KHRUSHCHEV NEVER HAS SAID TO HIM THAT HE HAS NO INTENTION OF STIRRING UP TROUBLE BETWEEN NOW AND THOSE TWO EVENTS.

A REPORTER TOLD EISENHOWER THAT THE POSSIBILITY OF AGREEMENT WITH KHRUSHCHEV WAS SUGGESTED BY THE PRESIDENT'S DECISION NOT TO PRESS FOR ALLIED RIGHTS TO FLY HIGHER THAN 10,000 FEET OVER RUSSIAN-CONTROLLED EAST GERMANY.

THE PRESIDENT SAID HE MADE THAT DECISION BECAUSE IT BECAME CLEAR THE WESTERN ALLIES ACTUALLY HAD NO NEED TO FLY AT GREATER ALTITUDES AT THIS TIME.

BERLIN -- EISENHOWER INDIRECTLY REAFFIRMED THAT THE WESTERN ALLIES ARE DETERMINED TO PROTECT THE RIGHTS OF WEST BERLIN. HE DID SO BY REFERRING NEWSMEN TO A STATEMENT ISSUED AFTER HE AND WEST GERMAN CHANCELLOR KONRAD ADENAUER HAD CONFERRED YESTERDAY FOR ONE HOUR AND 45 MINUTES.

THAT STATEMENT SAID THE WEST INTENDS TO STAND BY ITS POSITION ON THIS MATTER.

CUBA-SUGAR -- THERE IS NO JUSTIFICATION, EISENHOWER SAID, FOR READING ANY SUGGESTION OF REPRISAL AGAINST FIDEL CASTRO'S CUBAN

REGIME INTO THE PRESIDENT'S REQUEST FOR DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY TO MODIFY SUGAR IMPORT QUOTAS. THE ADMINISTRATION ASKED CONGRESS TODAY FOR SUCH AUTHORITY.

ASKED WHETHER THIS AMOUNTS TO REPRISAL ACTION AGAINST CASTRO, EISENHOWER REPLIED THAT HE HAS STATED AGAIN AND AGAIN THAT WE ARE NOT TRYING TO PUNISH CUBA. WE ARE TRYING TO GET AN AGREEMENT BASED ON INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE AND LAW.

EXPLAINING HIS REQUEST FOR DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY ON FIXING SUGAR QUOTAS, EISENHOWER SAID HE HAS A RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE SURE THAT THE UNITED STATES HAS ALL THE SUGAR IT REQUIRES.

THERE HAVE BEEN MANY CHANGES IN CUBA, AND SUCH CHANGES COULD ENDANGER THIS COUNTRY'S SUGAR SUPPLY, HE SAID.

IF ANY SUPPLY AREA FALLS DOWN IN MEETING U. S. SUGAR REQUIREMENTS, THE PRESIDENT SHOULD HAVE THE RIGHT TO GO SOMEWHERE ELSE FOR THE COMMODITY, EISENHOWER SAID.

EISENHOWER WAS ASKED WHETHER ON HIS RECENT SOUTH AMERICAN TOUR ANY OF THE HOST GOVERNMENTS EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT CASTRO. SOME OF THE LEADERS WITH WHOM HE CONFERRED ARE CONCERNED, EISENHOWER SAID, BECAUSE THEY DON'T UNDERSTAND THE CASTRO GOVERNMENT'S WAY OF OPERATING. NONE OF THE LEADERS, THE PRESIDENT WENT ON, WAS CRITICAL OF U.S. POLICY TOWARD CASTRO. THAT POLICY, THE PRESIDENT SAID IS TO AVOID ANY BULLY RAGGING OF THE CUBAN GOVERNMENT BECAUSE THE UNITED STATES IS FRIENDLY TOWARD THE CUBAN PEOPLE.

ECONOMIC -- THE U. S. ECONOMY SEEMS VERY HEALTHY, EISENHOWER SAID, WHEN ASKED ABOUT THE OUTLOOK FOR THE FUTURE. A REPORTER HAD REMARKED THAT SOME ECONOMISTS APPEAR TO BE SOMEWHAT PESSIMISTIC ABOUT THE FUTURE.

EISENHOWER SAID SOME ECONOMISTS ALWAYS WANT THE PROSPERITY CURVE TO GO UP MORE STEEPLY, AND THEY MAKE BOLD PREDICTIONS.

BUT HE TRIES, EISENHOWER ADDED, TO HAVE HIS ECONOMIST TRY FOR A MORE MODERATE TARGET, AND THEY TELL HIM THAT THE OUTLOOK FOR AMERICAN BUSINESS IS INDEED GOOD.

KOREA -- EISENHOWER SAID HE DEPLORES THE VIOLENCE WHICH HE HAD HEARD MARKED THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN IN SOUTH KOREA. BUT THE PRESIDENT SAID HE WANTED TO MAKE NO FURTHER COMMENT REGARDING THE POSSIBLE IMPACT OF SUCH VIOLENCE ON DEMOCRATIC PROCESSES.

AS FOR THE POSSIBILITY OF HIS VISITING KOREA WHEN HE GOES TO RUSSIA AND JAPAN IN JUNE, EISENHOWER SAID NOTHING HAS BEEN FORMALIZED IN CONNECTION WITH HIS ITINERARY OTHER THAN THE SOVIET AND JAPAN VISITS WHICH HAVE BEEN ANNOUNCED.

PUERTO RICO -- RESPONDING TO A QUESTION EISENHOWER SAID HIS SUPPORT OF LUIS FERRE AS REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR OF PUERTO RICO DOES NOT EXTEND AT THIS TIME TO FERRE'S ADVOCACY OF STATEHOOD FOR THE COMMONWEALTH ISLAND.

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WASHINGTON, MARCH 16 (AP)-PRESIDENT EISENHOWER TODAY RECEIVED THE UNITED SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS' ANNUAL AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO THE WELFARE OF THE NATION.

THE AWARD WAS PRESENTED AT THE WHITE HOUSE BY A USO NATIONAL COUNCIL DELEGATION HEADED BY HARVEY S. FIRESTONE JR., BOARD CHAIRMAN OF THE FIRESTONE TIRE AND RUBBER CO.

AN INSCRIPTION ON THE PLAQUE GIVEN TO EISENHOWER PRAISED HIM FOR "UNSELFISH CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE AMERICAN HERITAGE AND TO THE YOUTH WHO SHOULDER ITS GROWTH AND BEAR ITS ARMS."

THE PRESIDENT IN TURN PRAISED THE USO PROGRAM. HE CALLED IT "A TANGIBLE AND PRACTICAL WAY OF VOLUNTARILY LENDING A HAND WITH THE MAINTENANCE OF MILITARY MORALE AND OF ALSO EXPRESSING CONTINUING APPRECIATION OF THOSE WHO STAND READY TO DEFEND OUR NATION."

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WASHINGTON, MARCH 16 (AP)-PUBLISHERS HAVE BEEN TALKING TO PRESIDENT EISENHOWER ABOUT WRITING A BOOK BUT HE HAS MADE NO COMMITMENTS IN THIS FIELD, EISENHOWER SAID TODAY.

IN RESPONSE TO NEWS CONFERENCE QUESTIONS, EISENHOWER SAID HE HAD NO PLANS FOR HIS RETIREMENT, COMING IN JANUARY 1961.

ASKED IF HE WILL WRITE ANOTHER BOOK, THE PRESIDENT REPLIED THAT A NUMBER OF PUBLISHERS HAVE SUGGESTED THE POSSIBILITY. HE PREVIOUSLY AUTHORED THE BOOK "CRUSADE IN EUROPE."

EISENHOWER SAID HE HAS TOLD THE PUBLISHERS HE HAS NO PLANS YET, AND THEY WILL HAVE TO WAIT A FEW MONTHS FOR HIM TO MAKE UP HIS MIND.

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GENEVA, MARCH 16 (AP)-THE 18-NATION U.N. COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS TODAY CONDEMNED THE RECENT ANTI-SEMITIC CAMPAIGN WHICH SPREAD FROM GERMANY TO ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD. IT CALLED ON GOVERNMENTS TO TAKE STEPS TO PREVENT ITS RECURRENCE AND PUNISH OFFENDERS.

IN A UNANIMOUS RESOLUTION THE COMMISSION EXPRESSED DEEP CONCERN OVER THE MANIFESTATIONS OF RACIAL PREJUDICE AND INTOLERANCE "WHICH MAY BE ONCE AGAIN THE FORE-RUNNER OF OTHER HEINOUS ACTS ENDANGERING THE FUTURE." THE RESOLUTION MADE NO SPECIFIC MENTION OF ANY COUNTRY.

AT THE SAME TIME THE COMMISSION SET UP A SUB-COMMISSION ON THE PREVENTION OF DISCRIMINATION AS A NEW WATCHDOG AGAINST ANTI-SEMITISM.

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BY BILL RAWLINS

RAMEY AIR FORCE BASE, PUERTO RICO, MARCH 16 (AP)-SECRETARY OF THE ARMY WILBUR M. BRUCKER SAID TODAY HE HOPES PRACTICE TROOP AIRLIFTS SOON WILL BE STAGED ACROSS THE ATLANTIC AND PACIFIC, "LET THE CHIPS FALL WHERE THEY MAY."

BRUCKER WAS QUICK TO ADD THAT THIS WAS HIS OWN IDEA AND NO SUCH AIRLIFTS ARE PLANNED NOW. BRUCKER SPOKE AT A NEWS CONFERENCE ON A TRIP TO INSPECT EXERCISE BIG SLAM-PUERTO PINE, DESIGNED TO TEST THE ARMED FORCES' ABILITY TO MOVE TROOPS QUICKLY TO WORLD TROUBLE SPOTS.

HE SAID HE WAS "TREMENDOUSLY IMPRESSED" BY THE RESULTS AND SUGGESTED INTER-CONTINENTAL AIRLIFT EXERCISES AS A LOGICAL FOLLOWUP.

BRUCKER SAID AN AIRLIFT LIKE THE PRESENT ONE, I STAGED IN INDOCHINA, COULD COUNTERACT THE COMMUNIST CHINESE CHARGE THAT THE UNITED STATES IS A "PAPER TIGER."

"THAT DESIGNATION WOULD END IN A HURRY," BRUCKER SAID. "NEWS LIKE THAT WOULD SPREAD THROUGH THE JUNGLES."

HE QUICKLY ADDED THAT AN INDOCHINA PRACTICE AIRLIFT WOULD NOT BE AIMED AT THREATENING ANYONE. ASKED IF THE CURRENT EXERCISE WAS DESIGNED TO SHOW LATIN AMERICAN NATIONS HOW QUICKLY U.S. FORCES CAN MOVE, BRUCKER REPLIED: "NO, NOT AT ALL."

HE SAID THE EXERCISE WAS PLANNED MONTHS AGO TO FIND OUT JUST WHAT THE ARMY AND AIR FORCE CAN DO. HE CONTINUED:

"I AM VERY ANXIOUS TO HAVE ANOTHER EXERCISE SUCH AS THIS IN THE NEAR FUTURE, AND THEN I WOULD LIKE TO SEE US GO TO EUROPE, MAY BE AS FAR AS TURKEY, AND THEN TO THE FAR EAST, POSSIBLY IN SUCH AN AREA AS INDOCHINA."

THE ARMY SECRETARY SAID HE FELT A COMPLETE TEST OF THE NATION'S AIRLIFT CAPABILITIES WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE EXCEPT AT LONGER DISTANCES.

"AFTER ALL," HE SAID, "THIS IS PUERTO RICO AND NOT ACROSS THE ATLANTIC OR PACIFIC."
AS HE SPOKE, BIG MILITARY TRANSPORT PLANES KEPT ARRIVING FROM THE UNITED STATES, BRINGING IN TROOPS TO A PEAK FORCE OF 5,000 MEN.
MORE THAN 20,000 PARATROOPERS AND INFANTRYMEN FROM REGULAR AND RESERVE UNITS ARE TAKING PART. THE FIRST OF THOSE WHO ARRIVED AT THE START OF THE EXERCISE MONDAY WENT HOME TODAY.
SO FAR OFFICIALS SAY THE OPERATION HAS GONE OFF WITHOUT A HITCH.
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